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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of the following amendments to the claims. This amendment is accompanied by a Petition for a 3-Month Extension of Time, Notice of Appeal and payment of the necessary fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.